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Mr. Steve Dorsey CBS News 2020 M Street, NW Washington, DC 20036

Dear Mr. Dorsey:

This is an interim release to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request received by the Office of Naval Research (ONR) on May 10, 2021 and given the tracking number DON-NAVY-2021-006534. You requested "emails to/from/cc/bcc Rear Adm. Lorin Selby and Dr. Patrick Mason from June 1, 2020 to May 10, 2021 with the keywords "directed energy" and/or "brain injury" and/or "Havana syndrome." I have attached a copy of your request.

This interim release includes emails and attachments relating to directed energy, brain injury and/or Havana Syndrome. We are still processing the remainder of your request. This portion of your request is granted in full. We have located 989 pages of records. We have also located Excel spreadsheets the equivalent of 7,384 printed pages. The Excel spreadsheets are being provided in their native format to ensure readability of the contents therein. One page of the records you requested has been redacted under Exemption 6 of the FOIA, codified at 5 U.S.C. §552(b)(6). Since you agreed to accept clearly releasable information, we do not consider these redactions to be a partial denial of your request.

FOIA Exemption 6 protects information that would constitute an unwarranted invasion of an individual's personal privacy. Under this exemption we have redacted certain personal email addresses and personal cell phone numbers.

Due to the size and amount of files the records will be transmitted to you through DoD SAFE. You will receive an automated email from DoD SAFE with a link to download your records, this link will be active for 10 days. If you have questions on any part of this letter, please address them to Mrs. Melissa Mills at (703) 588-2968 or melissa.a.mills@navy.mil. Please reference DON-NAVY-2021-006534 in any correspondence discussing this case.

Sincerely,

MELISSA MILLS

By direction

Attachments: As stated